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b. ☐ Entered

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ii. ☐ Amendment(s) Description(s)

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Request for Continued Examination

Request for Continued Examination is hereby made per Consolidated Patent Rule 1.114 in reply to Advisory Action of 04/22/2008 to place this application in condition for allowance.

Previously filed amendment submitted 03/19/2008 was provided in support of patentability of the apparatus of the invention and is requested to be reviewed.

Request for Continued Examination Fee per 1.17(e) and 1.27(a) as a small entity in the amount of \$405.00 is included.